

1 HOUSE BILL NO. 814
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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR EXPRESSIVE
5 ACTIVITY PRESENTING OPPOSING, DIVERGENT, OR CONTRADICTING VIEWPOINTS AT PUBLIC
6 POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS; PROVIDING A DEADLINE TO PROVIDE THE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY;
7 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."

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9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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11 NEW SECTION. Section 1. Intellectual diversity on campus -- opportunity for alternative
12 **viewpoints required.** Whenever a public postsecondary institution provides an opportunity for or facilitates
13 expressive activity providing a specific viewpoint, the institution shall provide an equal opportunity for
14 expressive activity providing an opposing, divergent, or contradicting viewpoint. The opportunity for the
15 opposing viewpoint to be presented must be provided within 1 calendar year of the date of the original
16 presentation.

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18 NEW SECTION. Section 2. Codification instruction. [Section 1] is intended to be codified as an
19 integral part of Title 20, chapter 25, part 15, and the provisions of Title 20, chapter 25, part 15, apply to [section
20 1].

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22 NEW SECTION. Section 3. Effective date. [This act] is effective July 1, 2023.

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